

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: John Sykes

Serial No.: 10/551,361

Filed: October 6, 2006

Group Art Unit: 3618

Before the Examiner: Meyer, Jacob B.

Title: SKI AND/OR BOARD CARRIAGE ASSEMBLY

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of November 25, 2008, having a one-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 25, 2008, the Applicant hereby responds as follows:

The Examiner has required a restriction to one of the following species:

- I. Species 1, disclosed in Figures 1a-3c.
- II. Species 2, disclosed in Figures 4a-4c.
- III. Species 3, disclosed in Figures 5a-5e.
- IV. Species 4, disclosed in Figure 6.
- V. Species 5, disclosed in Figures 7a-7d.

Applicant elects Species 1 (claims 1-11 and 14-16) without traverse.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner call Applicant's attorney at the below listed number if the Examiner believes that such a discussion would be helpful in resolving any remaining issues.

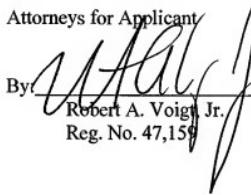
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